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10/1/15 - The Gospel, Salvation, & Sanctification - Part 7

Outline:

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Christ Died to Sin

- Regarding sin's penalty - propitiated God's judgment against the sinner
- Regarding sin's power - forever breaking sin's power over those who belong to Him

You Have Been Made New

When you responded positively to Jesus' call to "Follow Me", you denounced the sovereignty of sin and accepted Jesus as your new Lord. You have been "sealed" with the Spirit by Jesus Christ, Himself. (Mark 1:8; Eph 1:13-14)

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from *logizomai* - present-middle-imperative; often used metaphorically to refer to an absolute, unreserved confidence in something known to be true; this heartfelt confidence affects every thought/action

A Little Greek...

- Present-Imperative: Continually, habitually follow this command!...is often a call to a long-term commitment and calls for the attitude or action to be one's continual way of life (lifestyle).
- Middle: This voice means that the SUBJECT initiates the action and participates in the results of the action.

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Grieving and Quenching the Spirit

When we sin, we grieve the Spirit (Eph 4:30). When we quench (1Th 5:19), we douse His "fire" (judgement; relates to His convicting ministry). These things are antagonistic to being controlled (filled), and walking, by the Spirit (Eph 5:18; Gal 5:16).

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"Dead to sin"

This means sin is no longer your sovereign, no longer lord over you. A gospel that allows for a person to remain "alive to sin" is a false gospel, even if it has the facts about Jesus correct. If you're truly saved, you'll hate sin (Mat 6:24).

A Saved Person Is a Confessing Person

Why? Because a saved person is a new creature and that new creature HATES sin! Hence, John's treatise on unbelief being evidenced by a love of sin (unrighteousness) (1Jo 3).

*** Love-By-Comparison diagram ***